



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Mail Stop: Amendment**
Taizo MINOWA et al. : **Confirmation No. 7187**
Serial No. 10/722,387 : **Group Art Unit 3682**
Filed November 28, 2003 : **Examiner James Pilkington**
RACK STRUCTURE FOR : **Attorney Docket No. 2003-1686A**
BACKLASH-FREE RACK-AND-PINION

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 17, 2006, kindly amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE THE FEE IN THE
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